Our push to relax restrictions on federally-funded stem cell research got a major boost yesterday. Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-UT), a pro-life conservative, endorsed H.R. 810, the Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act. "I come to this issue as a strong and outspoken Right-to-Life Senator," Sen. Hatch said. "While I admire and respect those who do not share my views on this, I do believe, very strongly, that it is possible to be both anti-abortion and pro-embryonic stem cell research." As a co-sponsor of the bill, I appreciate Sen. Hatch's courage on this issue. Strong support for H.R. 810 continues to build and we look forward to a vote in coming weeks.